Universalisatlon of secondary education

24. SHRI RAVULA CHANDRA SEKAR REDDY: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are universalising secondary education;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the present position thereof;

(c) whether the funds released under SSA are enough to compete with the standards of the private schools;

(d) if so, the funds released and spent by each school, district-wise in A.P for various purposes during the last 3 years;

(e) the goals set to achieve under SSA; and

(t) the present position thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MD. ALI ASHRAF FATMI): (a) and (b) Planning Commission has accorded "in-principle" approval to the proposal for a scheme for universalisatlon of access to and improvement of quality of secondary education.

(c) to (f) The objective of Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan (SSA) is universalisatlon of elementary education with satisfactory quality. Under the programme, the Government of India's share provided to Andhra Pradesh, during the last three years, is as follows:-

SI.No.	Year	Amount released (Rs. in lakh)
1	2003-04	9883.97
2.	2004-05	28000.00
3.	2005-06	37999.00

In 2006-07, Rs. 43245.56 lakh has been released to Andhra Pradesh under Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan (SSA) up to 19.2.2007

Government approval for Foreign Institutes

25. SHRI EKANATH K. THAKUR : Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that as per the latest data available with the All